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TO GKR WIN IN UNGA

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1. SUMMARY. MFA CONFIRMED TO GKR AMBASSADOR DEC 2 THAT IT WILL RENEW ITS TOKEN PLEDGE TO CAMBODIAN ESF AT DEC 5 MANILA MEETING. GOM PLEASED BY DEFEAT OF ATTEMPTS UNSEAT GKR IN UN. END SUMMARY.

2. GKR AMBASSADOR NONG KIMNY CALLED ON NEW DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL FOR ECONOMIC AFFAIRS DATUK AHMAD ZAINAL ABIDIN DEC 2 AND WAS INFORMED THAT MALAYSIAN EMBASSY REP WOULD ATTEND DEC 5 CAMBODIAN ESF MEETING IN MANILA AND WOULD RENEW GOM'S TOKEN CONTRIBUTION OF \$10,000. SAME MORNING, DCM WAS TOLD BY MFA UNDERSECRETARY RESPONSIBLE FOR SOUTHEAST ASIA, MON JAMALUDDIN, THAT ALTHOUGH PRIME MINISTER RAZAK HAD APPROVED CABINET PAPER RECOMMENDING CONTRIBUTION BE CONTINUED (REF B), MINISTRY OF FINANCE WAS STILL DRAGGING ITS FEET OVER AUTHORIZING TRANSFER OF \$10,000. WHEN ANNOUNCEMENT MADE OF MALAYSIAN CONTRIBUTION, THEREFORE, IT MAY NOT BE POSSIBLE TO ANNOUNCE THE AMOUNT. COMMENT: WE DO NOT QUOTE UNDERSTANDING DIFFICULTIES WITH TREASURY BUT CONTINUE TO PRESUME THAT \$10,000 CONTRIBUTION WILL BE FORTHCOMING IN DUE COURSE.

3. VICTORY IN UNGA OVER CAMBODIAN SEATING WAS RECEIVED HERE WITH PLEASURE BY BOTH GOM OFFICIALS AND BY GKR EMBASSY. KL "NEW STRAITS TIMES," WHICH USUALLY REFLECTS GOVT VIEWS, NOV 29 CARRIED STRONGEST EDITORIAL WE HAVE SEEN IN SOME TIME HIGHLIGHTING FAILURE OF "CHINESE SPONSORED" BID TO EXPEL GKR FROM UN. ACCORDING TO NST, GA HAS MADE SOME "ODD AND DISTURBING" DECISIONS IN PRESENT SESSION BUT " TO HAVE EXPELLED THE LON NOL GOVT WOULD HAVE BEEN ODDEST OF ALL, (CONSTITUTING BRAZEN INTERVENTION ON BEHALF OF REBELS WHO HAVE BEEN UNABLE TO OUST THE GKR DESPITE DEPARTURE OF US TROOPS AND (WITH) AID IN MEN AND ARMOR PROVIDED BY NORTH VIETNAMESE. PRINCE SIHANOUK, THE PAPER POINTED OUT, CLAIMS 90 PERCENT OF THE COUNTRY BUT HIS GOVT REMAINS IN PEKING AND HE MAKES ONLY "FLEETING" VISITS TO CAMBODIA. EDITORIAL REPORTS THAT DURING RECENT FIGHTING INSURGENTS HAVE LOST "SEVERAL OUTPOSTS" AND IT BEGINS TO LOOK SAFER AND, IN CONCLUSION, NOTES THAT NEXT MOVE IS SEC GEN WALDHEIM'S WHO, IT SUGGESTS, MAY WISH ASK PRC AMBASSADOR TO UN WHY HE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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REGARDS UNGA VOTE AS "UTTERLY NULL AND VOID AND MEANINGLESS."

4. COMMENT: SINCE OPENING OF TALKS LEADING TO PRC-GOM EXCHANGE OF DIPLOMATIC MISSIONS THIS SEPTEMBER, MEDIA HERE HAVE OBVIOUSLY BEEN UNDER INSTRUCTION TO TREAT PRC WITH EXTREME CARE AND HAVE ALSO BEEN CAUTIOUS IN REFERENCES TO NVN, WHICH GOM RECOGNIZED IN MARCH 1973. CRITICAL TONE OF THIS EDITORIAL, THEREFORE, IS EXCEPTION

TO CURRENT RULE AND UNDERSCORES IMPORTANCE GOM ATTACHED
TO PRESERVATION OF NON-COMMUNIST GOVT IN CAMBODIA.
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